

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Assignee: Cisco Technology, Inc.

Title: METHOD FOR RESTORING A VIRTUAL PATH IN AN  
OPTICAL NETWORK USING DYNAMIC UNICAST

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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office action dated April 7, 2009, which specified a three-month shortened statutory period for reply. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on **page 2**.

**Remarks** begin on **page 39**.